

CITY OF MIAMI BEACH
Office of the City Manager
Letter to Commission No. 121-2005



To: Mayor David Dermer and
Members of the City Commission

Date: May 10, 2005

From: Jorge M. Gonzalez
City Manager

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Subject: SEXUAL OFFENDER APPREHENSION PROGRAM

This Letter to the City Commission is to provide information on the Florida Department of Law Enforcement's Operation SOAP (Sexual Offender Apprehension Program) and the Police Department's participation in the initiative. Operation SOAP will target all identified non-compliant sexual predators/offenders in a month long focused, intensive effort to locate and where appropriate apprehend these potentially dangerous felons. Each FDLE Regional Office will work in cooperation with appropriate local agencies to locate these individuals and verify existing warrants or obtain new warrants through the State Attorney's Office. Phase 1 of Operation SOAP was implemented on April 15, 2005, and will conclude on May 15, 2005. Operation SOAP activities will remain confidential until the conclusion of Phase 1.

The following is a brief summary of the Police Department's protocols for dealing with for Sexual Predators and Sexual Offenders:

- Information is maintained on Sexual Predators/Offenders who are current or former residents of Miami Beach.
- Sexual Predators/Offenders are contacted three times per year.
- Address verifications and Sexual Predator/Offender flyers are distributed weekly.
- Flyers for Sexual Predator/Offenders are regularly given to the Patrol Division.
- Links are maintained to the FDLE Sexual Predator/Offender websites.
- All Sexual Predator/Offenders who move into Miami Beach are contacted within 48 hours.
- Participation in the Department of Corrections – Office of Probation and Parole's "Sweep" of Sexual Predators/Offenders under supervision for compliance with the conditions of their arrest including inspections of their residences for contraband.
- Efforts are also being made to have the Miami Beach Sun Post publish a list of local Sexual Predators/Offenders.

The Police Department is also working closely with the Legal Department on the proposed ordinance regarding Sexual Predators and Sexual Offenders.

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City Proposed Required Buffer for Registered Sex Offenders 2500 ft

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- Parks
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